



SPEAKER'S BIO



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Commissioner David Born has worked for the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service (FMCS) in the Chicago office for almost 20 years. He previously served as the Regional Director of the former Chicago Region covering Illinois, Indiana and southern Wisconsin for over 5 years. Mr. Born and his colleagues mediate labor and employment disputes in several sectors including private, public and federal. In his current role, Mr. Born provides services including grievance mediation, labor-management committee training and facilitation, relationship development and training programs, and other conflict resolution training. During his FMCS career, Mr. Born has had the honor of being involved in several unique projects such as two missions to Haiti to establish conflict resolution systems and teach mediation skills in the garment industry; participate in the Department of Education's initiative to promote collaboration between school boards and educators; and since 2010 has worked with the City of Chicago Labor Management Committee for Healthcare, a two-time FMCS grant recipient for collaborative programs.

Prior to Mr. Born's employment with FMCS, he worked for the Teamsters in Chicago as an organizer, grievance representative and negotiator. He also worked for the National Labor Relations Board as an investigator and hearing officer for eight years. Mr. Born earned a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Illinois and a master's degree in labor and industrial relations from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.